

ALABAMA STATE–COMMUNITY RECOVERY TASK FORCES

Community Planning and Capacity Building

Meeting Notes

December 8, 2011

ATTENDEES

NAME	AGENCY & INFORMATION	NAME	AGENCY & INFORMATION
Rocky Milliman	ADECA	Stephanie Southerland	ADECA
Anthony Hagan	ADECA	Corlis Floyd	ADECA
Liz Cochran	ADECA Energy Division	Chris Harmon	ARWA
Stan Hale	USDA RD	Gina Smith	ADECA
Via telephone:			
Bonnie Durham	ADECA ARC	LaDonnah Roberts	City of Tuscaloosa
Pam Toney	North AL MRC	Monique Shorts	American Red Cross

AGENDA ITEMS

Review of Items from November 10 meeting

- The notes from the November 10 meeting were approved as written.

Discussion of FEMA Plans

- Pdf versions of FEMA's final strategic plans for the 9 cities/communities/counties that had requested FEMA's assistance after the April 27 tornadoes were emailed to task force members on November 22.
- FEMA did a great job in developing the individual plans to reflect the various projects that each city/community/county needs and/or wants in order to successfully recover from the disaster.
- Because of the size of the electronic files of the final plans, some of the TF members may not have received them. Please email Rocky Milliman at rocky.milliman@adeca.alabama.gov if you did not receive your copy.
- Please review the plans and be prepared to advise, at the January meeting, what your organization/agency will be able to commit to do in terms of assistance to begin implementation of the plans.

Discussion of Leadership Training

- Ms. Roberts expressed her appreciation for the ARC Road Show that was held in Tuscaloosa on December 5, 2011, indicating that it was very informative and helpful.
- A "state sponsored" summit will be held sometime in February or March in the Birmingham area for elected officials and recovery committee members and will provide additional recovery

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information, face to face meetings, open discussions, etc., as we move forward in the recovery process.

Other Information

- The LTCR office received good news this week that funding would continue for the case management workers in the various communities.
- The American Red Cross reported that they are still working with and providing funding for unmet needs in the various communities affected by the April 27 tornadoes.
- USDA Rural Development indicated they would know more about how they will be able to assist once their budget is approved.
- Alabama Rural Water Association is still available to provide technical assistance to those communities with water/sewer issues.
- The FEMA staff that is to remain in Alabama to continue to offer recovery support should be in place in the LTCR office and in the various communities sometime in January.
- Task Force members are asked to coordinate all their recovery responses, information and involvement in the various communities through the state's Long Term Community Recovery Office so that we can avoid duplication of efforts or the lack of adequate assistance in other areas.
- The next meeting will be held in January. Details of the meeting will be emailed to everyone in early January.